

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT TACOMA

Ronald Lee Paulson,

Petitioner,

V.

**State of Washington,**

## Respondent.

CASE NO. 3:19-cv-05298-RBL-DWC

## ORDER SUBSTITUTING RESPONDENT

Petitioner Ronald Lee Paulson, who is proceeding *pro se*, filed a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. Dkts. 1, 6. In his Petition, Petitioner named the State of Washington as Respondent. *See id.* The proper respondent to a habeas petition is the person who has custody over [the petitioner].” 28 U.S.C. § 2242; see also § 2243; *Brittingham v. United States*, 982 F.2d 378 (9th Cir. 1992); *Dunne v. Henman*, 875 F.2d 244, 249 (9th Cir. 1989). According to his Petition, Petitioner is currently confined at Coyote Ridge Corrections Center (“CRCC”) in Connell, Washington. *See* Dkt. 6 at 1. The Superintendent of CRCC is A. Uttecht.

1            Accordingly, the Clerk of Court is directed to substitute Jeffrey A. Uttecht as the  
2 Respondent in this action. The Clerk of Court is also directed to update the case title.

Dated this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019.

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David W. Christel  
United States Magistrate Judge